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Michael Ficco

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Filed: For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SECURITY DIGITAL VIDEO RECORDING

### TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT

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Sir: Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- X Applicant believes that no extension of time is required to respond to the Office Action dated September 16, 2005. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- X No additional fee for claims is required.

The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS AS AMENDED									
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		PRESENT EXTRA		RATE		ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	20	minus	53	=	0	x	\$		\$	00.00
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#### RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 2005

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Office action dated September 16, 2005, please consider the following remarks. This response is timely filed within three months of the mailing of the present Office action.

The claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.